



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Patent and Trademark Office

Address: Box ISSUE FEE
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND ISSUE FEE DUE

1501270204

PAUL DAVIS
WILSON, SONSINI, GOODRICH & ROSATI
650 PAGE MILL ROAD
PALO ALTO CA 94304

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	TOTAL CLAIMS	EXAMINER AND GROUP ART UNIT	DATE MAILED
1501270204	05/05/97	014	HULINA, A	1501 02/04/97
First Named Applicant	KNOWLTON, EDWARD W.			

TITLE OF
INVENTION
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLED CONTRACTION OF COLLAGEN TISSUE

ATTY'S DOCKET NO.	CLASS-SUBCLASS	BATCH NO.	APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	FEES DUE	DATE DUE
		400.000	522 UTILITY	YES	\$645.00	05/05/97

**THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT.
PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED.**

**THE ISSUE FEE MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS
APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED.**

HOW TO RESPOND TO THIS NOTICE:

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.
If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

- A. If the status is changed, pay twice the amount of the FEE DUE shown above and notify the Patent and Trademark Office of the change in status, or
- B. If the status is the same, pay the FEE DUE shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

- A. Pay FEE DUE shown above, or
- B. File verified statement of Small Entity Status before, or with, payment of 1/2 the FEE DUE shown above.

II. Part B of this notice should be completed and returned to the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) with your ISSUE FEE. Even if the ISSUE FEE has already been paid by charge to deposit account, Part B should be completed and returned. If you are charging the ISSUE FEE to your deposit account, section "6b" of Part B should be completed.

III. All communications regarding this application must give application number and batch number. Please direct all communication prior to issuance to Box ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, D.C. 20231

SERIAL NUMBER	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.
---------------	-------------	-----------------------	---------------------

08/435,544 05/05/95 KNOWLTON

E KNOW-1001

EXAMINER

15M2/0204

PAUL DAVIS
WILSON, SONSINI, GOODRICH & ROSATI
650 PAGE MILL ROAD
PALO ALTO CA 94304

HULINA, A

ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER

13/1

1501

DATE MAILED: 02/04/97

NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

PART I.

1. This communication is responsive to 1-13-97
2. All the claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due course.
3. The allowed claims are 23, 26-38
4. The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.
5. Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has [...] been received. [...] not been received. [...] been filed in parent application Serial No. _____ filed on _____
6. Note the attached Examiner's Amendment.
7. Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413.
8. Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.
9. Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892.
10. Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449.

PART II.

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" indicated on this form. Failure to timely comply will result in the ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

1. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
2. APPLICANT MUST MAKE THE DRAWING CHANGES INDICATED BELOW IN THE MANNER SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAPER.
a. Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. 6. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
b. The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
c. Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
d. Formal drawings are now REQUIRED.

Any response to this letter should include in the upper right hand corner, the following information from the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND ISSUE FEE DUE: ISSUE BATCH NUMBER, DATE OF THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE, AND SERIAL NUMBER.

Attachments:

Examiner's Amendment
 Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL- 413
 Reasons for Allowance
 Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
 Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449

Notice of Informal Application, PTO-152
 Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948
 Listing of Bonded Draftsmen
 Other


Amy Hulina
Primary Examiner
Group 1500

Art Unit: 1501

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Paul Davis on January 10, 1997.

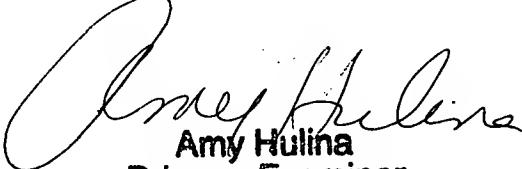
2. The application has been amended as follows:

~~Claims 1-22 have been cancelled.~~

~~In Claim 26, line 2, "without creating a necrosis of melanocytes in the skin" has been deleted.~~

~~In claim 27, line 1, "wherein the" has been deleted.~~

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amy Hulina whose telephone number is (703) 308-2974.



Amy Hulina
Primary Examiner
Group 1500

AH

February 3, 1997